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On June 20, 2006, this Board approved bridge funding for continuation of the After-School Enrichment Program for the period July 1, 2006 through September 30, 2006 to preserve existing services to 10,000 low–income children and their families at 171 schools, until the school districts could access Proposition 49 funds to sustain their after-school programs. All schools that have been funded through the After-School Enrichment Program are eligible to apply for and receive Proposition 49 funding this fiscal year, although the precise timing surrounding that funding remains to be determined.

The three-month bridge funding has successfully sustained uninterrupted afterschool services for all children participating in the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) After-School Enrichment Program, and LAUSD does not need any further bridge funding pending availability of Proposition 49 funds. Moreover, since LAUSD

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was able to transition many of its ASEP sites to other LAUSD after-school programs and funding streams during July and August, approximately \$1.1 million of the bridge funding allocated to LAUSD has not been expended.

However, since Proposition 49 funds are not yet available and may not become available until early 2007, some of the school districts that sub-contract with the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) find that they cannot sustain their programs without additional bridge funding. Some of these school districts plan to close or curtail their programs effective October 1, 2006. Other districts have not reopened their after-school programs after closing for the summer. Some of these districts plan to reopen once they receive Proposition 49 funding, while others are uncertain as to whether they will apply for Proposition 49 funding. The \$1.1 million in unspent LAUSD bridge funding could be re-allocated within the FY 2006-07 DPSS budget to LACOE, to assist these districts to keep their after-school programs open, re-open currently closed programs, and access the Proposition 49 funding to which they are entitled.

WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Delegate to the Director, Department of Public Social Services, the authority to amend by negotiation Contract # GP-002 with the Los Angeles County Office of Education for After-School Enrichment Program services to: (i) extend the contract term through April 30, 2007; (ii) add provisions for After-

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School Enrichment Program services through March 31, 2007 and one additional month for administrative close-out activities; and (iii) add \$1,100,000, in unspent LAUSD ASEP bridge funding, to the current \$950,665 amount available for the provision of ASEP services after July 1, 2006, thereby making a maximum of \$2,050,665 available for the provision of ASEP services from July 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007.

- 2. Instruct the Director of Public Social Services to include in the contract amendment with the Los Angeles County Office of Education the following criteria governing the allocation of additional bridge funding to the individual school districts:
 - a. A school district may only receive additional bridge funding for those sites for which the district agrees to submit an application to the California Department of Education for Proposition 49 funding.
 - b. A school district may only receive additional bridge funding for schools whose After-School Enrichment Program would close, remain closed, or terminate services for some currently-enrolled students, in the absence of receipt of additional bridge funding.
 - c. A school district may only receive additional bridge funding for schools for which the school district has a clear plan to meet the local matching requirement for Proposition 49 funding on an ongoing basis, once the

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- additional bridge funding is no longer available.
- d. LACOE shall allocate the bridge funding among the school districts according to the following priorities in the order listed: (1) avoid the closure of currently-open programs; (2) avoid the termination of services to currently-enrolled children; (3) increase the number of ASEP schools for which districts will access Proposition 49 funding; and (4) expedite the reopening of currently-closed programs.
- Instruct the Director of Public Social Services to include in the amendment a requirement that LACOE provide technical assistance to each school district which receives additional bridge funding regarding the district's application for Proposition 49 funding and the district's ongoing plan to provide afterschool services funded through Proposition 49.

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